

SPEAKERS

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AMPHAY CHAMPATHONG. Amphay Champathong is Program Manager for the First Circuit Family Court’s Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) Program. He received a bachelor’s degree in Sociology and a master’s degree in social work from the University of Hawaii at Manoa, and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Hawaii School of Law.

MICHELLE MOORHEAD. Michelle Moorhead, J.D., is passionate about empowering families and survivors of domestic violence, abuse, and neglect. She is the Managing Attorney of the Legal Aid Society of Hawai’i’s Family Unit and is also supervisor of Legal Aid’s Oahu Guardian Ad Litem Program, where Legal Aid employees are court-appointed to advocate on behalf of the best interests of foster youth. Prior to joining Legal Aid in 2017, she worked in private practice with the Honorable Mei Nakamoto (ret.) and served as an extern for Civil Chief Judge R. Mark Browning as the 2012 recipient of the James K. Hoenig Judicial Clerkship Scholarship for the Promotion of Alternative Dispute Resolution.

Ms. Moorhead is recognized by her peers due to her leadership and commitment to public service. Ms. Moorhead served as the elected 2020 Chair of the Family Law Section of the Hawai’i State Bar Association. She is the first non-profit attorney to serve in that role. In 2020, she was selected as a Pacific Business News’ “40 Under 40” honoree and was also recently nominated as a 2021 HSCADV Star Advocate. Ms. Moorhead volunteers her time as a divorce mediator at the Mediation Center of the Pacific, an Associate Member of the Honorable James S. Burns Aloha Chapter of the American Inns of Court, a CAAP Arbitrator, and through membership in various Access to Justice Commission Committees. She is a graduate of the William S. Richardson School of Law.

STEPHANIE TABASHNECK. Dr. Tabashneck, PsyD, J.D., is a psychologist and attorney in Boston. Her practice areas include forensic psychological assessment, substance use issues, child custody, and criminal forensic evaluations. Dr. Tabashneck presents regionally and nationally on psychology and law topics, including at events organized by the American Bar Association, the Federal Judicial Center, the American Psychiatric Association, the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, the Massachusetts Trial Courts, and the New York Office of Attorneys for Children. Dr. Tabashneck is a board member of the Massachusetts chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts. Recent publications include the book *Substance Use and Parenting: Best Practices for Family Court Practitioners* (2021), an article on the opioid crisis and family drug courts in the scholarly journal *Family Law Quarterly* (Spring 2019) and a chapter in the American Bar Association book, *Representing People with Mental Disabilities: A Practical Guide for Criminal Defense Lawyers* (2019)